

#### TRIBUTE TO LAUREN CARSON

• **Mr. WHITEHOUSE.** Madam President, I rise today to honor an accomplished policymaker, a protector of environmental and public health, and my State representative: Lauren Carson. Representative Carson represents Rhode Island's 75th district and has a long history of working on issues related to sea level rise, reducing waste, and protecting the health and safety of Rhode Islanders.

Representative Carson holds a bachelor's degree from Ramapo College and two master's degrees from the University of Rhode Island. She is a businessowner and an environmental advocate who worked for several years with Clean Water Action.

Representative Carson also served her community through several organizations, including the advisory board of the Alliance for a Livable Newport, the Newport Energy and Environment Commission, the Rhode Island Green Infrastructure Coalition, and the Environmental Council of Rhode Island.

In 2014, Representative Carson successfully ran for a seat in the State legislature. At the statehouse, she has moved policy forward to protect Rhode Island's environment. Among many other accomplishments, Ms. Carson created and led a commission on the effects of rising seas. She introduced a bill that created a uniform statewide process for permitting solar panel installations. She cosponsored legislation to phase out polluting cesspools. Earlier this year, she was appointed as, deputy majority leader, a role which she used to steward the 2021 Act on Climate into law, setting statewide net-zero goals for 2050 across all sectors. She coleads the Aquidneck Island Climate Caucus to give voice to the importance of preventing and preparing for a warmer world and focus the island's efforts on sea level rise.

I am glad to recognize Representative Carson's dedicated service and to share my appreciation for all of her contributions to our State and our environment.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DAWN EUER

• **Mr. WHITEHOUSE.** Madam President, I rise today to honor one of Rhode Island's most respected oceans and environmental policymakers, who happens to also be my State Senator, Dawn Euer. All of us whom have worked with Senator Euer recognize her deep commitment to Rhode Island and to safeguarding the future of the planet by fighting the climate crisis.

Senator Euer earned a law degree from Roger Williams University. While in law school, she served as a legal intern in my office, where I saw firsthand her dedication to public service and to using the law to better the lives of others.

Senator Euer began her political career as an activist and organizer. She was instrumental in the fight to make

gay marriage the law of the land in Rhode Island.

Senator Euer has served on the boards of the Environmental Justice League of Rhode Island and Bike Newport. She has also advised the Newport City Council on energy efficiency, renewables, sustainable planning, and other environmental matters.

In 2017, Senator Euer successfully ran to represent parts of Newport and Jamestown in the Rhode Island State Senate. Running in a district on the front lines of climate change and sea level rise, Senator Euer advocated for substantial investments in renewable energy and resiliency. In the last legislative session, Senator Euer delivered on that promise in a big way. She succeeded in passing the Act on Climate bill, the most comprehensive climate legislation in State history. As the lead sponsor, Senator Euer developed an actionable plan to create mandatory and enforceable emissions reduction goals that chart a course to a safer future. With that legislative victory in hand, Senator Euer recently traveled to COP26 in Glasgow to help show the world that American climate leadership is back.

For my friend Senator Euer's tireless efforts in championing the 2021 Act on Climate and for all of her hard work on behalf of the people of Newport and Jamestown, I stand today to recognize her.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MEG KERR

• **Mr. WHITEHOUSE.** Madam President, I rise today to honor Meg Kerr, a staunch advocate for the environmental movement. Ms. Kerr retired earlier this year after a successful career of climate leadership and service to the State of Rhode Island.

After graduating from Brown University and the University of North Carolina, Ms. Kerr began the early part of her career as a scientist. She worked for the Environmental Protection Agency across North Carolina, Virginia, and Washington, D.C., where she partnered with States to standardize water quality reporting aligned with the Clean Water Act.

Ms. Kerr then moved back to Rhode Island and quickly established herself as a prominent advocate for the environment, taking on roles at the Rhode Island Rivers Council, the Narragansett Bay Estuary Program, and Clean Water Action. Ms. Kerr closed out her impressive career as the Audubon Society of Rhode Island's Senior Director of Policy.

To add to the list of her accomplishments, Ms. Kerr was a founder of the Rhode Island Green Infrastructure Coalition and helped launch the Providence Stormwater Innovation Center. She also helped found the annual Land and Water Conservation Summit that brought together hundreds of environmentalists from the State and region for over a decade. Ms. Kerr is passionate about pollinators, as dem-

onstrated by her work organizing the Bee Rally to bring attention to the threats faced by our beloved bugs.

Ms. Kerr is a fierce and respected leader for the environment and a familiar face at the Rhode Island statehouse. Her expertise, mentorship of others, and ability to get things done for Rhode Island's environmental community has made a real mark on our State. I am proud to recognize her service and thank her for all she has done to protect our environment.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Swann, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

**REPORT ON THE ISSUANCE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT TERMINATES THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13712 OF NOVEMBER 22, 2015, WITH RESPECT TO BURUNDI, AND REVOKES THAT EXECUTIVE ORDER—PM 18**

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Consistent with subsection 204(b) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(b), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order that terminates the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13712 of November 22, 2015, and revokes that Executive Order.

The President issued Executive Order 13712 to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States constituted by the situation in Burundi, which had been marked by the killing of and violence against civilians, unrest, incitement of imminent violence, and significant political repression. In Executive Order 13712, the President addressed the threat by blocking the property and interests in property of, among others, persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to be responsible for or

complicit in actions or policies that threaten the peace, security, and stability of Burundi or undermine democratic processes or institutions in Burundi, or to have engaged in human rights abuses.

I have determined that the situation in Burundi that gave rise to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13712 has been significantly altered by events of the past year, including the transfer of power following elections in 2020, significantly decreased violence, and President Ndayishimiye's pursuit of reforms across multiple sectors. For these reasons I have determined that it is necessary to terminate the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13712 and revoke that order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.,  
THE WHITE HOUSE, November 18, 2021.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:15 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5652. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Acquisition Review Board in the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 5652. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Acquisition Review Board in the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

#### PRIVILEGED NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On request by Senator TOMMY TUBERVILLE, under the authority of S. Res. 116, 112th Congress, the following nomination was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Michael F. Gerber, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2022, vice Michael D. Kennedy, term expired.

On request by Senator TOMMY TUBERVILLE, under the authority of S. Res. 116, 112th Congress, the following nomination was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Michael F. Gerber, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a reappointment term expiring September 25, 2026.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2626. A communication from the Treasurer of the National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Gallery's Inspector General Report for fiscal year 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2627. A communication from the Director, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2022-01, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2022-01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2628. A communication from the Director, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2022-01, Introduction" (FAC 2022-01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2629. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 24-198, "Wilkinson School Disposition Authorization Temporary Act of 2021"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2630. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 24-199, "Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Humanitarian Relief Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2021"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2631. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 24-200, "Coronavirus Unemployment Compensation Provisions Sunset Temporary Amendment Act of 2021"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2632. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 24-201, "Office of Administrative Hearings Unemployment Appeals Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2021"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2633. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 24-202, "Certified Midwife Credential Amendment Act of 2021"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2634. A communication from the Secretary of the Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual report relative to its compliance with Section 3686(c) of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2635. A communication from the Chairman of the Board, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's consolidated report addressing the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA or Integrity Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2636. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursu-

ant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report on the Status of Audits for the period from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2637. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2638. A communication from the Senior Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to two (2) vacancies in the Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2021; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2639. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Election of Officers of the Osage Minerals Council" (RINI076-AF58) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 2, 2021; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. MANCHIN for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

\*Sara C. Bronin, of Connecticut, to be Chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for a term expiring January 19, 2025.

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Cindy K. Chung, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Gary M. Restaino, of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Ms. LUMMIS):

S. 3231. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require law enforcement officials to obtain a warrant before accessing data stored in cars, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. COTTON, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. SMITH, Ms. WARREN, Mr. COONS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3232. A bill to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a